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SUBJ: CLAIM TO CONSULAR PROTECTION

1. JEAN PIERRE DE CAMBRUN CLAIMS AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP SOLELY BY VIRTUE OF BEING DIRECT DESCENDANT OF THE MARQUIS DE LAFAYETTE. CHAMBRUN WAS BORN IN FRANCE AND HAS FRENCH NATIONALITY, BUT HE IS NOW A PART TIME RESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND CLAIMS TO BE AN IMPORTANT FIGURE IN THE BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS. HE CLAIMS TO HOLD AN AMERICAN PASSPORT, BUT DID NOT HAVE IT WITH HIM AT THE TIME OF THE INTERVIEW.

2. CHAMBRUN AND HIS BRITISH SUBJECT WIFE DEMANDED TO SEE A CONSULAR OFFICER ON A SATURDAY MORNING. THE PURPOSE OF THE VISIT WAS CLEARLY TO PREPARE THE WAY FOR MAKING FUTURE DEMANDS FOR PROTECTIVE SERVICES, PARTICULARLY WITH RESPECT TO REMOVING HOUSEHOLD PROPERTY. MOST OF THE SERVICES THEY INDICATED THEY WOULD REQUEST WOULD BE IMPROPER TO RENDER IN ANY EVENT, BUT SINCE THE CHAMBRUNS STATE THAT THEY ARE ALSO PART TIME RESIDENTS OF THIS CONSULAR DISTRICT, WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHAT IS OUR OFFICIAL RELATION WITH THEM. WE HAVE NEVER HEARD OF DESCENT FROM AN HISTORICAL PERSON ESTABLISHING A CLAIM TO AMERICAN NATIONALITY. CARLUCCI

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